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Applicant

Yanagi et al.

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: CLONED GENOMES OF

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VIRUSES AND USES THEREOF

Examiner

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to Office Action mailed January 27, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.